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Economic Development Commission

Regular Meeting, Sept 18, 2016, 7:30 p.m. Salem Office Building, Room 2

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Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:33 pm by meeting chair Frank Sroka.

Members present:

Frank Sroka

Wendy Mikolinski

Elby Burr

Paul Robillard

Members not present:

Ken Bondi

Andy Lightner

Visitors:

Stu Gadbois (Board of Selectmen Liaison to EDC)

Joe Duncan (Salem Resident and Business Owner)

Beth Hogan (State Representative Candidate)

Edwina Callaghan (Salem Resident and Business Owner)

1. Reading of Agenda – chairperson

Frank Sroka presented agenda. No changes to the agenda were made.

Motion: Wendy Mikolinski moved to approve the Minutes for 07/18/2016 meeting. Seconded by Elby Burr. Unanimously approved.

2. Communications

Joe Duncan, owner of the Salem Herb Farm, briefed the EDC committee on his proposal and application to the P&Z Committee to amend the operation of his retail plant nursery to a special event facility. The application specifically requests Section 30 of Special Agriculture Zone regulations be amended to allow special event facility use.

After presenting a detailed plan of the proposed operation, the EDC Committee unanimously agreed to support the proposal.

Frank Sroka, chairman of the EDC committee, will draft a letter to the P&Z Committee on behalf of the EDC members expressing this support of the project and modification to Section 30 to allow such use.

3. Public Comment

None

4. Reports

- a. Selectman / EDC Liaison: none
- b. P&Z Liaison: None

5. Old Business

- a. Wendy Mikolinski presented the preliminary materials as produced by Minuteman Press for the Salem Business owner's directory project. The EDC members reviewed the documents and suggested appropriate changes to the materials before publication.

The final mailing list to be used for the project was scrutinized; the EDC members opted to review this list as a group and make appropriate modifications prior to the next scheduled EDC meeting.

The timeline for release of the materials was discussed. The EDC expects to release all materials to the Salem Business community before the end of year 2016.

6. New Business

None

7. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Salem Town Hall, Room 2.

Motion: Wendy Mikolinski motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Paul Robillard. Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.